

**Table 56.**

**Percentage distribution of final medical allowances, by year of application and reason for allowance, 1992–2002**

Year	Total		Meets level of severity of listings	Equals level of severity of listings	Medical and vocational factors considered	Other <sup>a</sup>
	Number	Percent				
All disabled beneficiaries						
1999	705,595	100.0	33.1	6.0	27.1	33.8
2000	753,666	100.0	31.6	6.3	29.7	32.4
2001	776,982	100.0	32.2	6.6	32.4	28.8
2002	664,582	100.0	37.3	7.0	38.9	16.8
Workers						
1992	689,111	100.0	34.3	11.1	24.3	30.3
1993	695,007	100.0	34.3	8.7	23.6	33.4
1994	671,699	100.0	34.5	6.9	25.6	32.9
1995	628,127	100.0	34.5	6.8	26.9	31.9
1996	651,675	100.0	34.2	7.0	27.4	31.4
1997	601,010	100.0	35.0	7.6	26.5	30.9
1998	611,668	100.0	35.6	6.6	27.0	30.8
1999	636,887	100.0	33.8	6.3	28.4	31.5
2000	682,739	100.0	32.3	6.6	31.2	29.9
2001	709,629	100.0	32.9	6.9	33.9	26.3
2002	602,321	100.0	38.4	7.4	41.1	13.1
Widow(er)s						
1999	29,094	100.0	14.9	2.5	24.6	58.0
2000	29,583	100.0	12.8	2.5	26.4	58.3
2001	28,667	100.0	12.9	2.7	28.2	56.2
2002	25,546	100.0	13.3	2.4	30.3	54.0
Adult children						
1999	39,614	100.0	35.9	3.2	7.4	53.5
2000	41,344	100.0	35.0	3.1	7.3	54.7
2001	38,686	100.0	34.3	3.1	8.3	54.3
2002	36,715	100.0	36.2	3.3	8.5	52.1

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Disability Research file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: Data for the initial and reconsideration levels are current through June 2003. Data for the hearing level or above are current through September 2003.

Because a number of applications remain pending for more recent years, the numbers and percentages will change over time.

Applications with a medical decision may be pending a final nonmedical decision or be subsequently denied for nonmedical reasons.

Data include decisions for Social Security–only applications and applications for both Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI); they do not include SSI-only claims.

Data for 1992–1998 are available for disabled workers only.

a. Includes applications for which the disability was previously established and those for which the basis for the determination is not available. The majority of applications for which the basis of determination is not available are cases allowed at or above the hearing level.

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